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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
1 Peter 4:10*

Work together, learn together, grow together...

Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Covid-19 Update Number 8 – school closure to most pupils

I am writing to confirm that our schools are now closed as of today, 20th March 2020. We will be open at Morley Primary School on Monday 23rd March between the usual times of 8:40am to 3:15pm for the children of 'critical workers' and vulnerable children.

We will not be opening Tacolneston Primary School from Monday 23rd March until the end of the Coronavirus restrictions.

We have spoken to all of the parents who have notified us that they fall into the category of 'critical workers' and require child-care from next week. I have explained to our Tacolneston parents that I was going to have to make a decision about whether to keep Tacolneston open or not. I'm afraid that I have had to close as we won't have a cleaner from Monday and we won't have a fully qualified paediatric first aider. Furthermore, we have a very small number of Tacolneston families requiring child-care, so it makes sense for us to join with the Morley cohort of children.

We will have a skeleton staff available from both schools and they will be working on a rota basis at Morley Primary School. I will be based at the school every day.

Our catering provider – Norse – is yet to confirm if they are going to be able to provide lunches. I will confirm this to our small group of parents as soon as I have further information.

I will also let you know the menu of activities that we will be providing for the children who are attending school on Monday.

I think we have probably provided enough information for the time being, in earlier correspondence, in terms of the learning materials that we have made available on our website. I would like to reassure you that we don't expect our families to turn their homes into schools. We know that families are going to be

juggling with working from home, looking after relatives, looking after themselves if they become poorly and just managing with the daily demands of having your 0 to 11 year olds needing attention. The staff of our schools are in exactly the same position. We understand. Do as much as you can to keep up with the reading and maths. We will stay in touch with you and you are welcome to contact me via the email at the head of this letter at any time.

In the meantime, I wish you and your family and friends all the very best. You will remain in my thoughts and prayers.

God bless.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Green".

Laura Green
Executive Head Teacher